

Tiverton Recreation Commission
Meeting October 21, 2008

Present at meeting:

Gary Rose, Jack Cook, Theresa Burke, Rick Bush, Phyllis Brower, Debbie Ebbitt, Bob Martin, and George Alzabak

Public delegations:

George Alzabak presented some ideas for a waterfront Festival this summer (2009). He suggested several different possibilities for activities in the event. Mr. Alzabak will return after the elections for more discussion as he is running for office. This was tabled until the November meeting. We advised Mr. Alzabak that this would need to be presented to the Town Council for their approval before proceeding with actual planning.

Treasurer's Report:

Gary Rose requested accounting for how much is actually in accounts of TRC.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes for September 2008 meeting were accepted. Thank you notes have been sent to merchants who helped with sale of raffle tickets for the cruise.

Old Business:

Rick Bush has presented the contest to the art teachers at the Middle school and high school. The winning design(s) will be selected by the TRC and the announcement will be made at the Wizard's game in January.

Bids for resurfacing of Pocasset Field baseball field are going out.

Bob Martin reported that the growth of brush and weeds behind the east wall at Town Farm near the soccer field has been cleared.

The Wizard's Game may have to be rescheduled due to conflict of availability.

Tiverton Christmas Tree lighting will be November 30th at Town Hall. Jim and Mona Carberry have graciously said they will again do this event for the town.

Fencing for the Town Farm girls' softball field has been approved, but funding has not been secured yet.

The Farmers' Market was a great success and exposed TRC's goals for the Bulgarmarsh Rec. area and other projects we are supporting. We made about \$200 from the sale of drinks and t-shirts.

Ed Fitzpatrick, President of men's softball league, will be asked to have his organization help pay for a new scoreboard and some fencing at the softball field at Bulgarmarsh Rec. area.

New Business:

The surf contest has been changed to a Skateboard Demonstration at Bulgarmarsh Rec. area on October 25th. All merchants who were supporting the surf contest are still supporting the skateboard demo.

Jack Cook presented a proposal of expected costs to improve the land adjacent to the New Ranger School for a soccer complex.

Gary Rose reported that grants can be applied for after acquisition of these fields.

DEM grants from the state are still in consideration and have been lowered from \$300K to \$200K.

Gary Rose wanted to know what is allowed to be considered for matching funds from the town for in-kind services.

Debbie Ebbitt has started the arthritis exercise program. The classes are Tuesday and Thursday for 5 weeks.

Mr. Rearick, Supt. of Tiverton Schools, would not support the Tupperware sale for fundraising for Bulgarmarsh Rec. area.

The tennis courts at Town Farm have grass growing in some areas which needs to be removed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 18th at 7 pm.